

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Venema

Application No.: 10/537,562

Filed: March 22, 2006

Title: **METHOD FOR LOWERING BOTH SEQUENCE VARIATIONS AND INCREASE
OF BASE LINE EFFECTS IN DIAGNOSTIC HYBRIDISATION ASSAY, ASSAY
FOR PERFORMING SUCH A METHOD AND PROBE FOR USE IN THE ASSAY**

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Group Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Amanda Marie Shaw

Date: May 31, 2011

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 1, 2011 (hereinafter "the Action") regarding the above-referenced patent application. Enclosed herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time. Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.